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Sir:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JULY 17, 2006 OFFICE ACTION AND  
PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME AND SUPPLEMENTAL  
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action issued July 17, 2006 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the July 17, 2006 Office Action was originally due October 17, 2006. Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time for responding to the July 17, 2006 Office Action. The required fee for a two-month extension of time is FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$450.00) and a check for this amount is enclosed. Accordingly, a response to the July 17, 2006 Office Action is now due December 17, 2006. However, since December 17, 2006 is a Sunday, a response filed on the next business day, i.e. Monday, December 18, 2006, is to be considered timely. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

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